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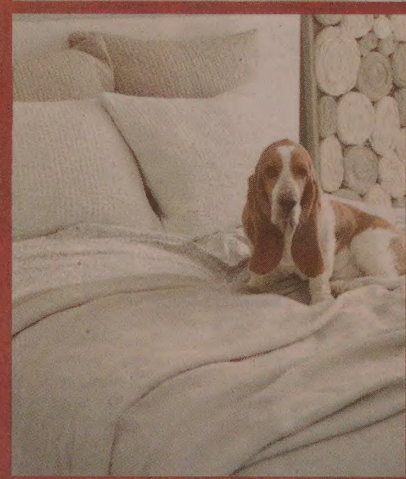

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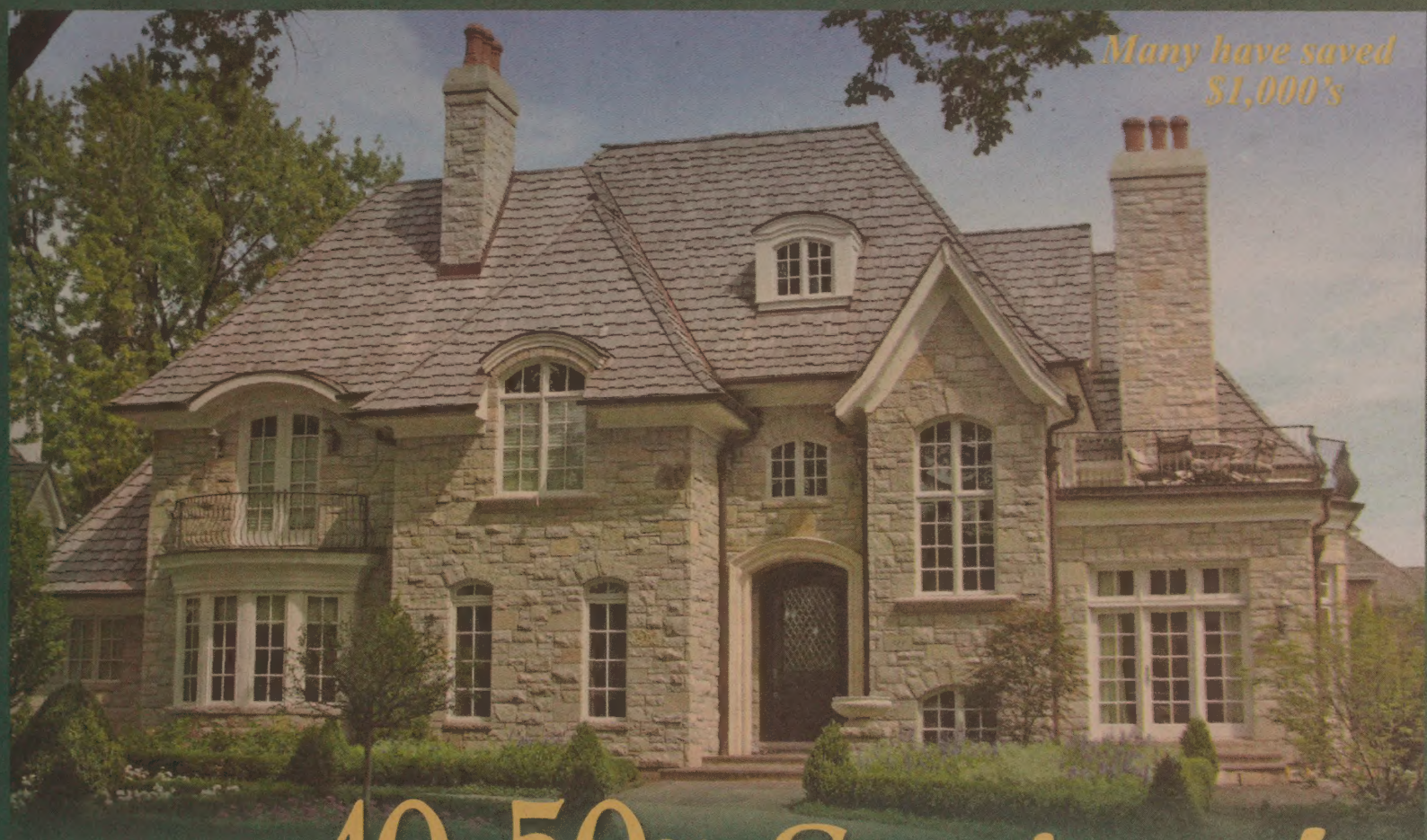

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1:15 Harry and Snowman
3:15 The Newburgh Sting
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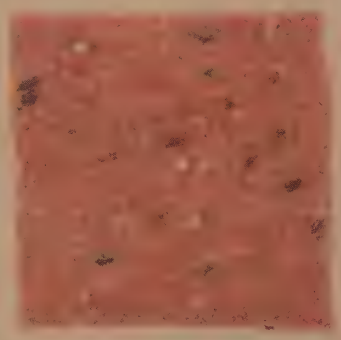

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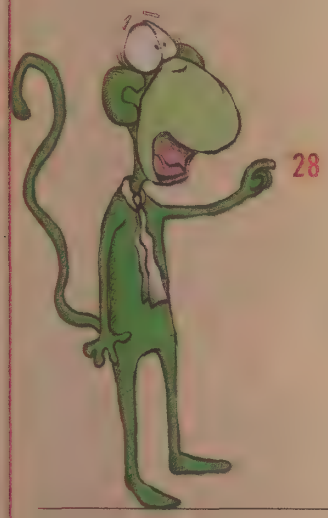

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Jerry Seinfeld

Shelter Island's **Louis C.K.** tried out new material on sold-out houses at Guild Hall in East Hampton last Friday and Saturday in a presentation called... "working out new material." His topics included Spider-Man, death, divorce and, surprising no one, his man parts. What really brought the house down, though, was Mr. C.K's impersonation of **Matthew McConaughey**! Tickets to the unadvertised shows cost only $10, as C.K. frequently pointed out during his set. Comedian **Joe List** opened for C.K. on Friday but took sick on Saturday, so a local boy named **Jerry Seinfeld** filled in last minute to provide a five-minute warm-up act. Based on the audience's response, Seinfeld has a bright future in comedy. The crowd was made up of fans from across Long Island and some East End insiders including **Alan Alda**, **Eric Fischl**, **April Gornik**, **Carter Burwell** and **Liz Joyce**. Actress **Kate Mueth** worked the will call window. When asked if she was being paid scale, she replied, "No, this is a special favor for my husband" (actor and Guild Hall director **Josh Gladstone**, who just finished a run in *Of Mice and Men* at Bay Street Theater in Sag Harbor).

Congratulations, **Mary-Kate Olsen** and **Olivier Sarkozy**—the Hamptons regulars reportedly married at a private Manhattan residence last Friday. The couple, together for three years, became engaged in 2014.

From coast to coast: Following a successful run at Bay Street Theater this past summer, **Betty Buckley** and **Rachel York** will reprise their roles as Big Edie and Little Edie Beale in *Grey Gardens* in Los Angeles in 2016. The Center Theatre Group production, again directed by **Michael Wilson**, will run from July 2–August 14 at the Ahmanson Theatre.

Hamptons fan and busy retiree **Barbara Walters** interviewed presidential hopeful **Donald Trump** and wife **Melania** for ABC's *20/20* last Friday.

Happy birthday, **Scarlett Johansson**! The Amagansett resident turned 31 on November 22.

Rocking it: Amagansett's **Scarlett Johansson** directed **Ellie Goulding**'s November 11 concert at New York's *(Continued on page 24)*

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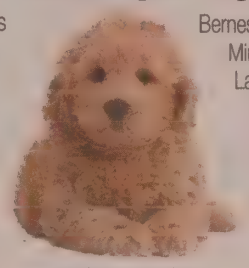
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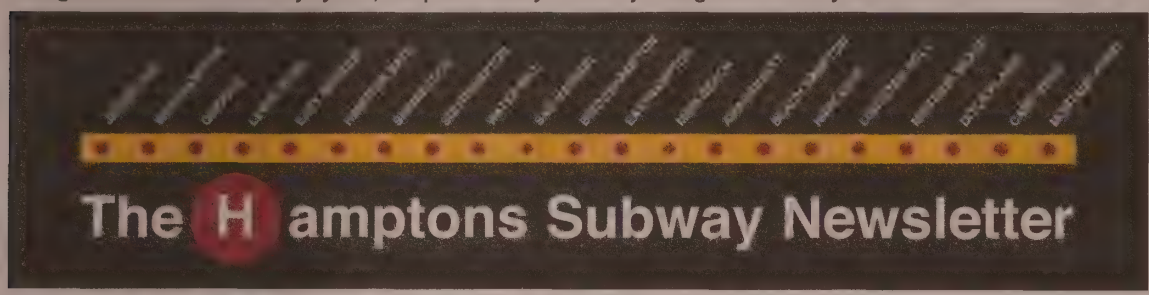

BY DAN RATTINER

Week of December 3–9, 2015
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Rider miles this past week: 92,411

DOWN IN THE TUBE

Some local politicians were seen traveling from Southampton to Bridgehampton late Wednesday morning, lost in animated conversation about something. They were State Assemblyman Fred Thiele, Southampton Town Supervisor–elect Jay Schneiderman, Southampton Village Mayor Mark Epley, East Hampton Town Supervisor Larry Cantwell and East Hampton Village Mayor Paul F. Rickenbach, Jr. As they came again in the early afternoon traveling again from Southampton to Bridgehampton we can only conclude they were so lost in whatever they were talking about, they forgot to get off and so went around again.

REINDEER ON THE TRACKS DELAY

It's rare to see a reindeer this far south, but Spike Trump, the younger brother of Donald Trump and a longtime motorman on Hampton Subway, reported seeing one on the tracks between Bridgehampton and Sag Harbor on Wednesday evening. He radioed for reinforcements and members of the local Animal Rescue and Don't Harm Them Hospital in Riverhead came and with nets rounded it up and took it up to their facility for a look-over. He had bells on his harness and a little red cap on his head and seemed to be in a jolly mood, and as there was nothing wrong with him and he had been found in the wild, so to speak, he was returned to where they found him and Hampton Subway just had to wait to see what he would do. Finally, causing this second one-hour delay, he walked down the tracks to Sag Harbor, took the escalator to the street and flew off.

BRIGADEER GENERAL CLARENCE HOWE

General Howe, who works as a security consultant for Hampton Subway, is celebrating is 62nd birthday next Thursday with a big party on the roof deck of the Hampton Subway headquarters building, weather permitting. If it does permit, a cake will be cut, the candles blown out and a 62 gun salute performed by the Veterans of Foreign Wars firing their rifles in the air at exactly 2:30 just after the candle blow out ceremony. Everyone is welcome, but if you cannot come, please stay indoors within eight miles of downtown Hampton Bays between 2:30 and 2:32 p.m. that day to stay clear of possible falling bullets. No presents please.

SUBWAY CARS HOOKED UP

Harry Blatworst, the supervisor of the maintenance crew out at the Montauk Yards, noticed last Wednesday night at 2 a.m. that subway cars #24 and #19 were hooked up together again, which is not unusual, but is unusual if the hook up lasts more than a few days. As near as anybody knows, these two cars have been hooked up every day since the middle of last August and apparently nobody has done anything to separate them in all that time. They perform their service on one subway train or another, always hooked up, in spite of all attempts to either pull, wiggle or blowtorch them apart. Some times things are just made to stay together like this forever and ever and we wish them the best.

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By now, you should have gotten a letter from us by the U.S. Postal Service inviting you to the plethora of events being held between now and the New Year, all as part of the public relations and marketing program instituted around five years ago. If you have not gotten any invitation yet, please call our office in Hampton Bays and ask them why not, and if they tell you you've been thrown off the list for one thing or another, don't feel bad. It happens to everybody at one time or another.

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Eleanor Whitmore Early Childhood Center Celebration

On Friday, November 27, in an effort to raise $150,000 in operational funds, the Eleanor Whitmore Early Childhood Center in East Hampton opened its doors to welcome supporters and spread the word of their service to families in need, providing day care for children 18 months to 5 years old and helping "every child achieve developmental milestones in early literacy, problem solving, emotional quotient and social acumen." **Photographs by Daniel Gonzalez**

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J.T. and **Derrick Whitmore**, **Hilaria Baldwin**, **Eleanor Whitmore**, **Alec Baldwin** and **Mariah Whitmore**

Chef and restaurateur **Colin Ambrose**

Historical Society House Tour Cocktail Party

On Friday evening, November 27, the East Hampton Historical Society celebrated its annual Garden Tour with a kickoff cocktail party at a private oceanfront home. More than 250 guests came to support the historical society.
Photographs by Richard Lewin

1. **Rosanne Barons** and **Robert Caruso**
2. East Hampton Historical Society Trustees **Barbara Borsack** and **Mary Busch**
3. **Glenn Leitch**, **Lynn Stefanelli** and EHHS Executive Director **Richard Barons**

Montauk's 39th Annual Turkey Trot Run for Fun

Check-in time was 8 a.m. sharp on Thanksgiving Day, as hundreds of runners gathered at The Green in Montauk to prepare for the start of the 39th annual Turkey Trot Run for Fun. Entrants could choose between a 3-mile and a 6-mile race around Fort Pond. The race was sponsored, as always, by the East Hampton Town Department of Parks and John Keeshan Real Estate of Montauk.
Photographs by Richard Lewin

It was a family event for the **Milanos**: **Ivan**, **Mary**, **Katie** and **Tina**

Turkey Trot Run for Fun Founder **John Keeshan**, with **Howard Lebwith**, who has run in all 38 previous races

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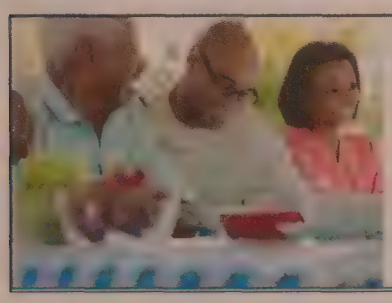
Daniel and **Melina** brought their dad, East Hampton Town Police Chief **Michael Sarlo**



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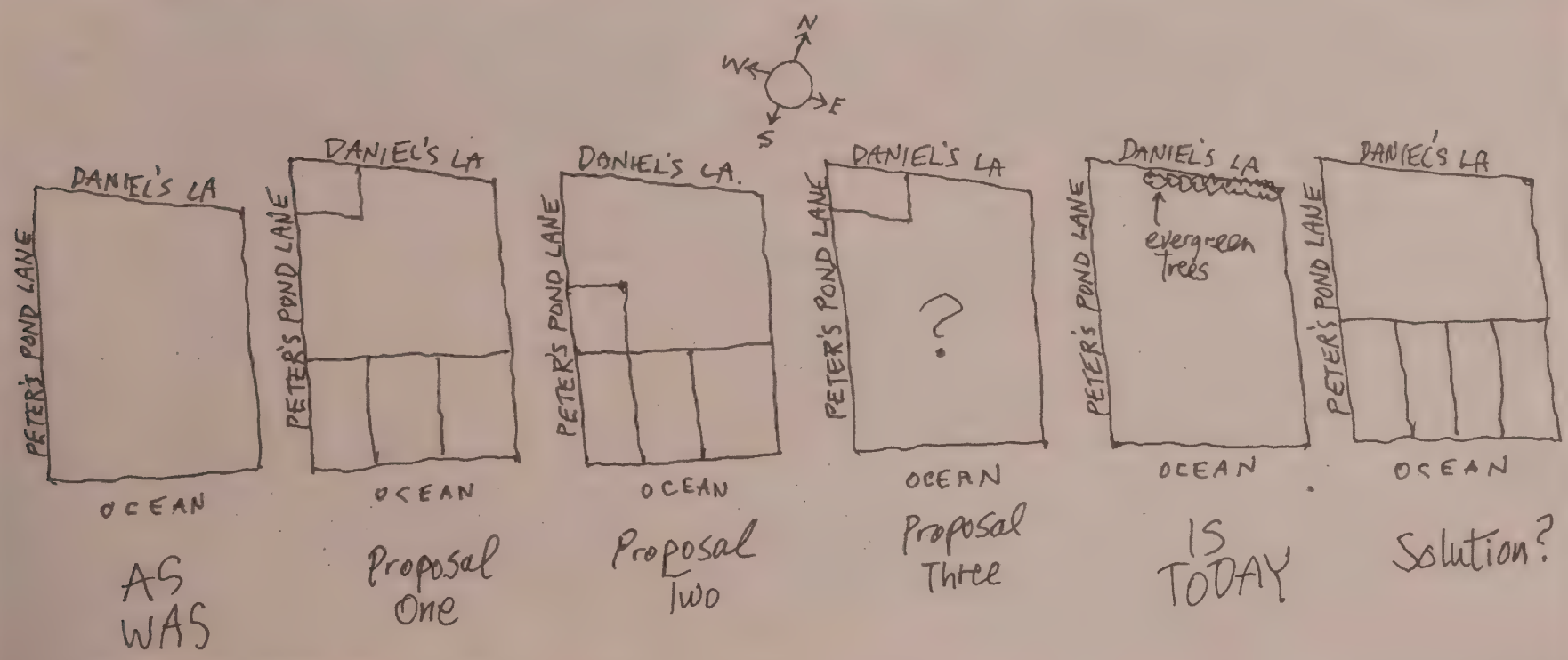


How to End a Standoff

Unhappy Owner of 44 Acres in Sagaponack Blocks a View of the Ocean

BY DAN RATTINER

Sagaponack, years ago, was known for its magnificent open farmland that extended for many miles along the ocean from Town Line Road to the shores of Sagg Pond. When I lived in East Hampton and had my office in Bridgehampton, I used to drive to work on a motor scooter along one of the three farm roads that went through it, Hedges, Parsonage or Daniels. Some views to the north extended to the Montauk Highway. The views to the south were breathtaking. Some days when the surf was rough, the waves would crash on the beaches and send mist over the dunes and up across the farm fields to the road. You could smell the salty air. You could breathe in the spray even all that distance away. It was a wonderful, exhilarating experience.

For that reason, more than 40 years ago when I held the first Dan's Papers Kite Fly on the beach out here, I held it in Sagaponack, down at the end of Peter's Pond Lane, a rutted farm road that led through a farm field to the ocean.

About 10 years into the annual event, I discovered that the last 50 yards of Peter's Pond Lane down by the ocean had become, for that whole summer, a small pond. It was three feet deep at its deepest point. But it blocked the road and a bit of the land on both sides of it. I have photographs of people holding kites over their heads wading through that pond.

"Where did that pond come from?" I asked a local farmer.

"That's why they call it Peter's Pond Lane. It comes up about every 10 years. It'll be gone by next year."

And it was.

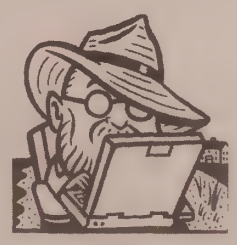
Really curious about this at the time, I went to Town Hall and looked at the surveys of that area. Indeed, there is a dotted outline of Peter's Pond on the survey. Proceed at your own risk.

And herein hangs a tale.

Today, the long vistas over farm fields in Sagaponack are severely compromised. Wealthy visitors have built beautiful vacation mansions along these roads and put in hedgerows that block the views both out and in.

There are, however, several places where the vistas remain, though, and surely the most spectacular of them is a mile-long stretch of farmland, free of any second homes, that extends from Parsonage Lane, past Hedges, past Daniels and thence to the sea.

The residents of Sagaponack incorporated their village 10 years ago and passed laws to protect these few final vistas still in farmland. One can plant crops and *(Cont'd on next page)*



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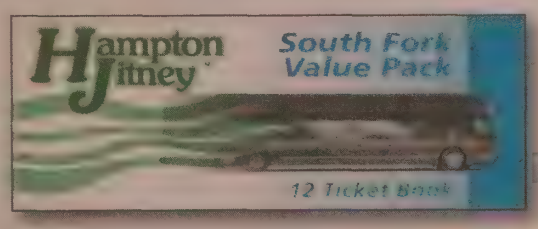

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farm the land, one can even have a farm structure on it. Other than that, though, except for a small number of homes in a corner of the property by mutual agreement, there can be nothing to block this view.

Some years ago, before Sagaponack got incorporated as a Village, a man named Marc Goldman bought 43 and a half acres of open farmland extending from Daniels Lane all the way down to the dunes. Its most westerly extremity is Peter's Pond Lane, which, I might note, remains rutted and difficult to negotiate. As managing partner of Sagaponack Realty LLC, he paid $30 million for this open farmland. And since he would need to make an arrangement with the Town of Southampton, which at that time had jurisdiction over the property, he tried to work a deal so some houses could be built on it. In a preliminary application, the Town agreed to allow the property to be subdivided into four lots—three lots side-by-side oceanfront, each on about 5 1/2 acres, and a fourth lot, potentially for a farmhouse, on the northwest corner where Peter's Pond Lane meets Daniels Lane. As for the rest, in 2007 he made an arrangement that granted the development rights to the Peconic Land Trust, so they could remain as farmland. The long vista from Parsonage to the ocean would be saved.

The reason Mark Goldman wanted it this way was because he had made his fortune in the dairy production and distribution business and wanted to make this property a tomato and herb farm so he could produce tomato sauce and sell it. It would be a viable business. Goldman was familiar with bottling and selling of dairy products. He could do this. Also, he would live in that farmhouse on the highway and oversee the operation.

Although he granted the rights for the farmland to the Peconic Land Trust, other parts of the bargain began to fall apart. Early on, he had sold rights to two of his future potential oceanfront buildable lots to others for $15 million each (so he now had his initial $30 million investment back) and the three together had formed Sagaponack Realty LLC as described above. But now came the collapse of 2008. I do not know the details, but at that point there were lawsuits between the partners about their internal agreement.

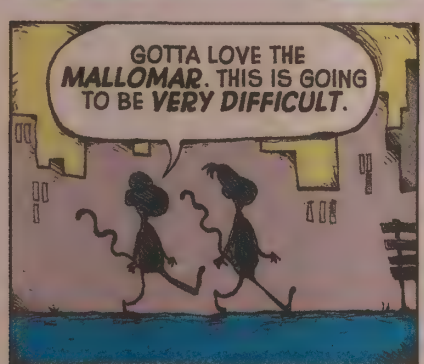
Mr. Goldman's protective border plants to the many hundreds of Christmas trees are tall enough to block the vista for everyone.

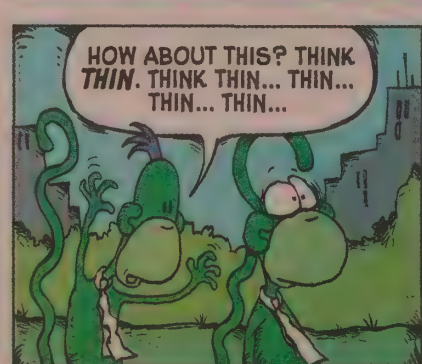
Another problem was Sagaponack had incorporated. With that, the negotiations would have to continue not with Southampton Town but with Sagaponack Village.

But Sagaponack had some new laws that would impact this arrangement. One was that they would require 65% open space, not 60% as with the town. That was not that big a deal. The second problem was a big deal. Sagaponack Village had a new law about residential developments impinging on the remaining ocean views. Therefore, the farmhouse parcel on Daniel's Lane was off the table. To allow it would block that long view. Instead, the town said they would allow a fourth parcel directly behind the most westerly of the three oceanfront parcels that the town agreed upon. Both these parcels would sit on Peter's Pond Lane down by the ocean.

Goldman didn't want this. In fact, by this time, he told me, he learned for the first time about the "drainage" problems with Peter's Pond and it's remarkable ability to occasionally come and go. Both the two westerly parcels he had proposed as building lots would probably have those "drainage" problems, according to the zoning board, and they might both be unbuildable. To discuss this further, Goldman went back to his partners—they should be equally responsible for redrawing the proposed lots to address the potential drainage problems with him. It did not get properly worked out.

Years passed during this time and Sagaponack did not hear again from Mr. Goldman. Finally, he came to them with an entirely new proposal. He wanted only one thing. His one thing would be to be allowed to build one farmhouse, about 14,000 square feet in size, on that northwestern corner of the property where Peter's Pond Lane meets Daniels Hole Road. That was it. He could then have his working tomato sauce business free from the pond *(Continued on page 22)*





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The Bathroom Story

City Fathers in Houston Rescind Law About Who Can Go Where

BY DAN RATTINER

Houston, Texas is not exactly a hotbed of Democratic ideas, and so when a new city ordinance outlawing discrimination based on religion, sexual orientation and race was passed last April, it did not happen without a lot of smoke and fire on both sides of the issue. Annise D. Parker, the very popular three-term Mayor of Houston is openly gay, a fact that helped get the ordinance through. On the other side, a lot of conservatives, religious leaders and Republicans were left licking their wounds. The ordinance would apply to housing, city contracting, bars, hotels, restaurants and private employment.

The opponents were down, but not out. A petition went out as soon as the ordinance was signed into law, demanding that it be repealed. The city accepted it. A vote would take place in November and the ordinance would not go into effect until the results were known. The city agreed to that, too.

And thus there began a big campaign to see this through. Someone, somewhere on the repeal-the-ordinance side told others about a clause that had been briefly put into the ordinance proposal when it was still a bill. It had been taken back out, but it had been there for a time, nevertheless. Transgender, bisexual and transsexual people would be allowed to use the bathroom that best reflected their gender identity, it said.

A lot of money—nearly $4 million—went into this battle of whether to repeal this ordinance or not. One well-to-do Texas billionaire, the owner of the Houston Texans football team, asked that his donation be returned when he found that his name was being bandied about with "unauthorized statements" about how he stood on the matter.

Another person drawn into the fray was Roger Goodell, the Commissioner of the National Football League. He was drawn in whether he liked it or not. Houston is supposed to host the Super Bowl in 2017. A letter went out to him from ordinance supporters.

"Commissioner Goodell," it said, "you have emphasized the NFL's commitment to diversity and inclusion, respect and fairness. If the Super Bowl is to remain in Houston, these protections need to be in place to ensure the safety and well-being of all those participating."

The NFL replied by stating that the Super Bowl agreement remained firmly in place.

Many think that this vote turned on a TV commercial written by a Republican political consultant named Jeff Norwood. It has come to be known as the Bathroom TV ad. It made reference to that clause about bathrooms that had been in the proposed ordinance but then got taken out.

At the beginning, the screen shows a woman's bathroom with sinks, mirrors and stalls. A man enters. He goes into one of the stalls. Then a girl with a school backpack comes into the bathroom and goes into a stall. At the end, the man comes out of his stall and goes into the schoolgirl's stall.

NO MEN IN WOMEN'S BATHROOMS became the rallying cry. This was printed on banners, t-shirts, signs and posters all over the city.

The New York Times, which ran this story, interviewed Norwood and a construction worker named Todd Ward.

"I got three daughters. You have too much child molestation going on. It's equal rights, but there's not an equal right for me to go into a women's bathroom. That's common sense," said Ward.

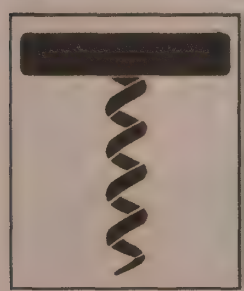
"[This ad] framed the debate in a way that the other side could never get away from," said Norwood at a victory party.

The city voted for repeal in a landslide, 61% to 39%.

Mayor Parker, visibly shaken, said, "I fear that this will stain Houston's reputation as a tolerant, welcoming, global city. And I absolutely fear that there will be a direct economic backlash."

The battle is lost, proponents of the ordinance said, but the war is not over. New ordinances will be proposed. Until then though, there will be no equal rights for men, women, transsexuals, transgenders, lesbians or gays in the bathrooms of Houston. I think.

However, when you gotta go, you gotta go.



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problems and have the tomato plants on the preserved acreage. When asked to include plans for the rest of the land down by the ocean, he said he had not worked that out yet. He just now wanted only to discuss that one parcel the Village had already rejected. He tried to show that one farmhouse there really didn't block that view much. It would only block the view of someone driving east along Daniels Lane an additional 3 seconds. There was also now another house on the north side of the road there, just built, that partially blocked the view. But the Village, having rejected that once before, said no again.

With that there have been no further appearances of Mr. Goldman at Sagaponack Village Hall. But Mr. Goldman sure has been heard from.

For one, he filed a lawsuit against the Village saying his rights to build on his property were being interfered with. For another, he planted hundreds of Christmas trees on the south side of Daniels Lane, completely blocking the vistas down to the ocean. Confronted with what appears to some, including one of his partners, to be a spite project to flout the vista, Mr. Goldman explained that a tomato farm requires daily care to make the crop prosper, and if he is being prevented from building a farmhouse where he could supervise the operation (with the potential lots further down the lane being underwater at times) he could not do this. What could he plant on his land that would not require his daily attendance? Christmas trees! They are agricultural. And you can have a Christmas tree farm and run it from afar.

Mr. Goldman's protective border plantings to the hundreds of Christmas trees are tall enough to block the vista for everyone, including Mr. Goldman and his partners. The Village brought this to the attention to the Peconic Land Trust, but the Land Trust decided that agriculture trumps vistas, so the trees could prevail.

There's been talk that someone should go there at night and bulldoze out all the Christmas trees. Because of that talk, Mr. Goldman said he would have anyone who does that arrested for vandalism and trespassing. So for now, and this is now more than six months that they are there, the Christmas trees remain.

How can this be resolved? The Village already tried one thing. They approached Mr. Goldman and told him he could have a fourth lot down by the ocean directly behind the most EASTERLY of the three oceanfront lots, well away from Peter's Pond Lane. Mr. Goldman was not interested.

Then, three weeks ago, a judge dismissed a lawsuit Sagaponack Ventures LLC filedagainst the Village of Sagaponack. The judge wrote the Village's decision to reject the application was "not arbitrary or capricious, was not illegal, and had a rational basis." They are appealing.

Here's another idea.

Allow that there be a fourth lot oceanfront. The fourth lot could be on the most easterly stretch of oceanfront, far away from Peter's Pond Lane. Mr. Goldman would then still have two oceanfront lots, which would be different from having one on the ocean (unbuildable) and one on Daniels Lane as he had originally planned. Goldman's second lot would be worth millions and millions of dollars more than the earlier proposed lots.

This solution works for everybody.

For the partners, they've each spent $15 million and will get nothing for the next 5, 10 or 50 years unless some arrangement is made. It is true that to make this plan work they will have to give up a small amount of oceanfront footage to allow for a fourth lot there. But I think the village would allow them to keep the same acreage by extending the property further inland. It would just be a change in the shape.

For Mr. Goldman, he could live down by the ocean and run his tomato farm from down there, and, I believe, also have a farm stand up on Daniels Lane. It could work.

As for the Village, they might have to give up a few percentage points in the arrangement with the saved land, or do a workaround on it, but the property would be filled with tomatoes rather than Christmas trees. The vista would return.

I don't think Mr. Goldman is a man who likes to be told what to do, but I think he should accept the fact that Peter's Pond has been down there forever, and his failing to notice it before he bought it does not make everybody else responsible for his loss.

I hope Goldman and the Village both come around. I think if he presented a plan to the Village showing four oceanfront lots, this matter would be resolved.

This Friday's Dinner

My Mother's Lobster Casserole (w. Ketchup) Found in a 1958 Cookbook

BY DAN RATTINER

A while back I got an email from David Giacone of East Hampton, the drummer for the band the HooDoo Loungers, who told me he had come across a recipe for my mother's lobster casserole in a cookbook published by the Montauk Chamber of Commerce in 1958. Apparently, the editors of the book asked different people in Montauk to submit one recipe or another. My mother's recipe was called LOBSTER & SPAGHETTI CASSEROLE.

Here it is:

LOBSTER & SPAGHETTI CASSEROLE. Ingredients: 1/2 lb of butter, 1/2 lb sharp cheddar cheese, 1 bottle of ketchup, 1 pinch of dry mustard, 1/2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce, 1 lb. of spaghetti, 2 lbs. of cooked lobster. Preparation....Melt butter & cheese in a double boiler. Add ketchup, mustard, & Worcestershire sauce. Cook spaghetti & drain. Fill a large buttered casserole w/layers of spaghetti, lobster chunks & melted cheese sauce. Bake covered for 1 hour at 350°. Serves 8.

Now, my mother took cooking seriously, and I mention this because of three things. One is that this recipe looks sort of like a joke. Ketchup? Two is I never recall my mom making lobster with ketchup, although considering the price of lobster in an East End fishing town then—cheap—we did have it fairly often. And three, it is a considerable honor (I guess) to have a recipe in a cookbook anywhere. It gets passed down through the ages. And this one did.

Daniel Gonzalez

The celebrated Mazzu

Also, cookbooks published in small towns are ways for nonprofits to raise money. People connected to the nonprofit go around town to merchants and, things being the way they were back then, ask the merchants to ask their wives to put in a recipe. They also ask the merchant to buy an ad in it for their business. Money raised would pay to print the book, would be a window into the world of what the community was eating, and would help the nonprofit.

Thus, in this book there are ads for Shagwong Tavern, White's Liquor Store, Viking Fleet, the Jigger III, Uihlein's Boat Rental, Gurney's Inn and the Atlantic Terrace Motel, plus many more.

And though the recipes from the housewives are a serious business, there were also a few less-serious recipes that some of the men in town put in. One was for Richard Gilmartin's Smothered Eels & "Galvanized Can" Clambake. Richard was an insurance agent in town. Another was for Frank Tuma's Montauk "Starve to Death" whatever that was. Frank was a Montauk real estate agent.

As for my mom, who passed away several years ago at the age of 94, she was not someone to joke. She stayed at home and cooked and baked and was proud of it. She would also tell you that, years earlier, she had been the valedictorian of Brooklyn Law School and became a lawyer, but then gave it up when she started having children because my dad, a pharmacist, told her he didn't want her to work. Instead, he bought White's Montauk Pharmacy. So here we were.

So now I have decided the time has come to host a dinner and serve my mother's casserole. I thought I'd reach back and ask old friends. But first was family. I asked my sister Nancy, who now lives in Manhattan with her husband, Michael, to take a Jitney out, but she begged off. "Ketchup?" she asked. I then thought of Dave Giacone, who I have never met, though we email back and forth from time to time. He has threatened to try lobster casserole but hasn't yet done so. I'll do it, he'll do it, we'll compare notes.

It's going to be a dinner for six. I've invited two friends I've known since the early days and their wives, and my wife will be there, of course. And then I thought, fearful of screwing it up (what's a double boiler?), to show the recipe to Mazzu, the celebrated Brazilian caterer who lives and works out here in the Hamptons.

She read it, said it could work and that she would like to cook it for us. We'll do the wine and the salad. She's going to bring desserts.

We're doing this on December 11. I'll let you know what happens.

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Hammerstein Ballroom. The performance was part of the American Express Unstaged series. Bridgehampton's material girl, **Madonna**, can still sell a show. The pop icon's Rebel Heart Tour, which kicked off September 9 in Montreal, has grossed $46 million in two months. The tour's two September shows at New York's Madison Square Garden proved to be the highest grossing yet. Hamptons regular and Coldplay singer **Chris Martin** announced that the band's much-anticipated new album, *A Head Full of Dreams*, will be released on December 4. In an interview with BBC Radio 1, Martin said the album is "the sound of us being free and happy and very grateful to be in our group." It also features several musical guests, including **Beyoncé**, **Noel Gallagher**, **Tove Lo** and **Merry Clayton**.

Foodie bites: Southampton Town Supervisor-elect **Jay Schneiderman** was engaged in a lively discussion with his teenage daughter as the two waited in line at Southampton's Citarella the day before Thanksgiving. Cox Communications heiress **Kathy Rayner** and former Condé Nast publishing executive **William Rayner** hosted a Thanksgiving feast for family at the former Grey Gardens estate in East Hampton. The couple is renting the famous home while their own is under construction. Sure, you can bump into celebs all over the East End—but don't be surprised if you see **Isabella Rossellini, Dominick West** or **Anne Hathaway** in Patchogue. They have all reportedly shopped at Delfiore Italian Pork Store there. To check out what's happening in "Brooklyn East," see page 29. *Dan's Papers* "Hamptons Epicure" columnist **Stacy Dermont**'s December 9 presentation at the holidays at the Rogers Memorial Library in Southampton is sold out, but you can find her recipe for easy homemade crackers on page 38.

Several South Fork VIPs attended a sold-out screening of *The Revenant* at the UA East Hampton Cinema 6 last Saturday. In the audience for **Leonardo DiCaprio**'s latest were Amagansett's **Lorne Michaels**, Water Mill's **Matt Lauer**, Bridgehampton's **Rudy Giuliani**, **John McEnroe** and others.

Montauk Oscar winner **Julianne Moore** appeared on *The Late Show with Stephen Colbert* last week. She was promoting her new film, *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay 2*. Among other topics, the talk show host and guest discussed Moore's famous hair. Said Colbert, "You're like a ginger icon. When you think redhead, you think Julianne Moore."

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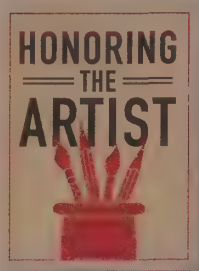
This Week's Cover Artist: Frank Latorre

BY OLIVER PETERSON



This week's cover artist, Frank Latorre, is a man of many talents. Along with his skills in a wide variety of painting styles, Latorre is an accomplished chef and an award-winning harmonica player, guitarist and singer who has played with greats such as B.B. King and Johnny Winter, among many others. He even won a Grammy for playing harmonica with Winter, but Latorre says visual art has always been his primary muse. A true Renaissance man, the artist has done everything from Frank Frazetta–like airbrush work on hot rods and motorcycles, to etching glass, to trompe l'oeil murals in homes and restaurants, rock star portraits, illustration and en plein air seascapes.

Based in Mastic Beach, Latorre focuses mainly on acrylic painting today, though he also spends time working in the art restoration business and teaching art to groups of students privately or at special wine and painting nights His blues band, Frank Latorre and the Kingbees, plays live around Long Island regularly. A fan of new challenges, Latorre says he will try to fulfill any commission request.

Tell me a little bit about this week's cover, the horse painting. You said it has a pretty moving story behind it.

It's a racehorse that was rescued by a very good friend of mine. They auction the horses for the same price as the meat. Eating horse is legal in Canada. My friend rescues and places them all over the country. The painting was a gift for her. The horse's name is Crow…it was at her house, in her barn, it lives at Scarecrow Farm in Eastport.

You've done a good job capturing the feeling of this former racehorse reclaiming its dignity and freedom after nearly becoming someone's dinner. When you paint something like this, are you thinking about its story?

I think a lot about any subject I paint—in this case a magnificent horse standing alone in a manmade setting yet strong enough to withstand the frigid temperature. I am a strong advocate of animal rescue. In the world that man took over we have the responsibility of caring for the animals. There is no more "wild" per say for them to take care of themselves. They are put in a position to rely on us for food and shelter.

You have mastered a number of styles. Do you feel like your approach—the style you choose and the kind of brushwork you're using—affects the overall feeling of the piece?

It's all a challenge to me. I would go crazy—I don't have the attention span to paint the same thing over and over again. I've painted just about everything.

You are one of the rare people with great talent in several areas. In your case it's art, music and cooking. All three can be quite creative. Do these things relate for you? Do they pull from the same well?

Painting, cooking, playing music, they're all relative. When I paint, I hear music. When I play music, the notes are colors, and when I cook it's all of the above. They're all passions. The artwork has been my bread and butter, the music is living a fantasy—I've played with many, many people. In whatever I do, I try to have my own fingerprint on it—think out of the box, but at the same time capture what I am going for—a painting, a song or a gourmet meal; they should all have a soul of their own.

To see more work by Frank Latorre, book a painting class or watch his band, The Kingbees, visit franklatorre.com. Commissions are available by request by emailing kingbeez@optonline.net.

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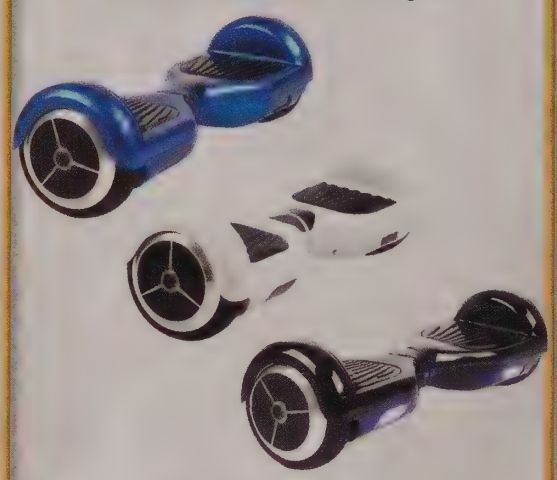

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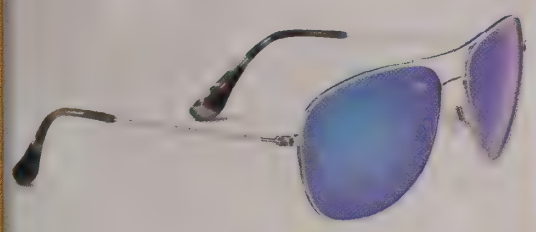

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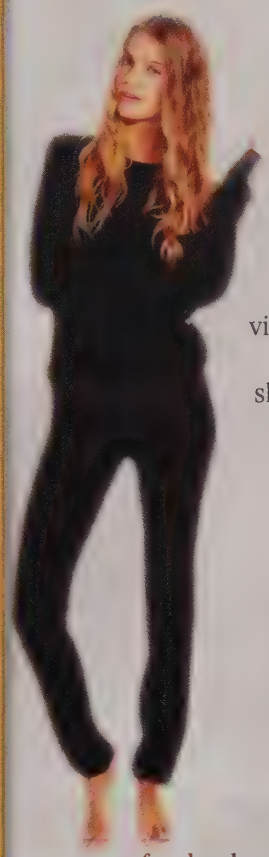

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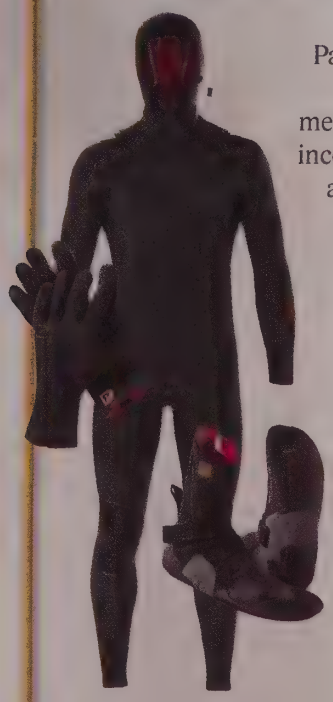

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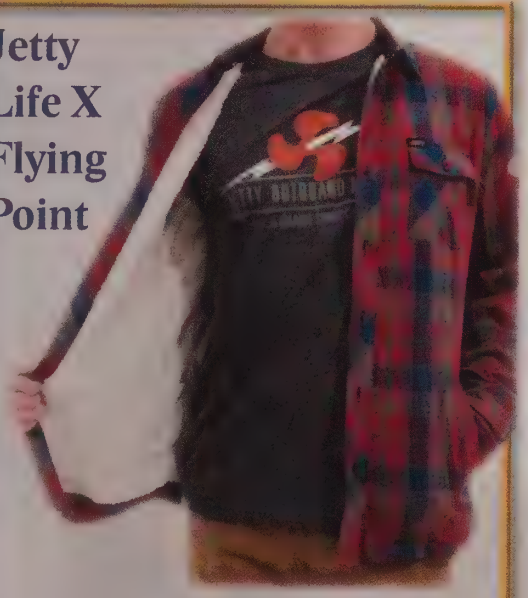

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Shelter Island Author Releases New Collection

BY LEE MEYER

Shelter Island-based author Matthew Quinn Martin recently released *Nightlife: Night Terrors*. The book collects his horror novel, *Nightlife*, his companion novella, *Nightlife: Hazardous Material*, and an all-new entry in the series, *Nightlife: As the Worm Turns*. Focusing on supernatural horror and dark urban fantasy, *Nightlife: Night Terrors* is a strikingly good read and presents a fascinating mythology that Martin slowly develops over the three interrelated stories. Though the series is a hit with genre fans and has a devoted following, Martin initially struggled to find a home for it.

"I wrote it in 2009 and my agent sent it out. It got your typical 'rave rejections' and I decided to throw it in the trunk," Martin says. It wasn't until Simon & Schuster relaunched their mass-market imprint Pocket Star as a dedicated eBook platform, when they contacted Martin and were interested in publishing *Nightlife*. "Of course, there was a three-year gap so I looked at how clunky it was and worked very hard on it."

Nightlife tells the story of Beth, a young woman who finds herself the reluctant ally of Jack, an enigmatic, brooding man who saves her during a terrifying attack by a vampire. But the grotesque, animalistic creatures in *Nightlife* are a (intentionally) far cry from the pretty, more sexualized, glamorous vampires presented in series like *Twilight* and *True Blood*. "The idea hit me when I was living in the city with my wife and I was walking to my crappy bartending job," Martin notes. "The vampire thing was still very seductive and all that, and I thought to myself, 'what if there's something else at work?' It was weird...when I first started writing, I thought it would be more comical, like a Joss Whedon [who created shows like *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* and *Angel*, and directed the first two *Avengers* films] kind of thing with scrappy dialogue. But as I worked, it took a darker turn."

While *As the Worm Turns* is a direct continuation of Beth and Jack's story, *Hazardous Material* tells an entirely different tale set in the same world. Martin originally conceived *Hazardous Material* as an unrelated short story after learning of an urban legend involving "Polybius," an old arcade machine from the '80s that reportedly caused its users to experience seizures, violence and even suicide. "The story actually had an embryonic version of [a key character] from *Nightlife*, so I incorporated it and doubled the length," Martin explains.

A Connecticut native, Martin set the series in the fictional city of New Harbor, a direct analog of New Haven. "If you set something in a [huge city like] New York or Chicago, it's mythic, you can have fake streets. With New Haven, you start staging set pieces on someone's property and it quickly becomes weird," he says.

Martin moved to Shelter Island with his wife, Jennifer, who grew up there. "Jennifer moved out here when she was 4 or 5; her father was a Pan Am captain. At the time it was pretty empty," he recalls. "I've had a connection to this place since we were dating, and I've seen the island change a lot. Four years ago, Jennifer was getting tired of the city, and I figured I could work anywhere. We came out here and have been here ever since."

Courtesy Matthew Quinn Martin

Matthew Quinn Martin

Martin is looking forward to future projects. In addition to working on a Young Adult novel with writing partner Libby Cudmore, Martin is working on something that could be of particular interest to East Enders. "I just got asked to be on the writing staff of a serial novel app that's set in the Hamptons," he says, stressing that the project is still in its infancy. Martin is floored by the response to *Nightlife*. "The response has been overwhelmingly positive. Everyone wants the universal acclaim. I'm almost skeptical of it!"

For more on Matthew Quinn Martin and his Nightlife *series and other works, visit matthewquinnmartin.com.*

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

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THE 20TH ANNUAL CHARLES DICKENS FESTIVAL
12/4–12/6. Performances, old-fashioned marketplace, carriage/trolley rides, lantern-lit house tour and more. Port Jefferson Village. *portjeff.com*

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Through 12/23. Holiday-themed art show. Gallery North, 90 North Country Road, Setauket. *631-751-2676 gallerynorth.org*

EMERSON STRING QUARTET AT STALLER CENTER
8 p.m. The chamber ensemble performs. Stony Brook University, Stony Brook. *631-632-2787 stallercenter.com*

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

(MOSTLY) TRUE THINGS STORYTELLING SHOW AT PERFORMING ARTS STUDIO
7 p.m. Also 12/6, 1 p.m. True stories with a twist: three stories are told, only one is true. Guess which is true, the winner gets a prize. $15 at the door, cash only/$10 in advance online. Performing Arts Studio of New York, 224 East Main Street, Port Jefferson. *631-366-4265 mostlytruethings.com*

JAZZ CLUB AT HARMONY VINEYARDS
8 p.m. Live musical acts perform. Harmony Vineyards, 169 Harbor Road, St. James. *631-291-9900 harmonyvineyards.com*

LIVE MUSIC AT ARDEN KITCHEN & BAR
10:30 p.m. Different bands perform weekly. 201 Main Street, 2nd Floor, Port Jefferson. *631-828-1111 theardenportjeff.com*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

LIVE MUSIC AT GALLERY NORTH
3 p.m. Live holiday music with the Kate Mohanty Trio. 90 North Country Road, Setauket. *631-751-2676 gallerynorth.org*

SUNDAY HAPPY HOUR AT ARDEN KITCHEN & BAR
5 p.m. Live reggae music and drink deals. Arden Kitchen & Bar, 201 Main Street, 2nd Floor, Port Jefferson. *631-828-1111 theardenportjeff.com*

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

JAZZ CLUB AT HARMONY VINEYARDS
8 p.m. Live musical acts perform. Harmony Vineyards, 169 Harbor Road, St. James. *631-291-9900 harmonyvineyards.com*

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UPCOMING

SEISKAYA BALLET'S "NUTCRACKER" AT THE STALLER CENTER
12/18–12/21. One of Long Island's most lavish productions of Tchaikovsky's beloved ballet returns to the Staller Center. Choreographed by the famous Valia Seiskaya, this spectacular show has been crafted by acclaimed artists and dance from all over the world. Staller Center, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook. *nutcrackerballet.com. See related story on page 33.*

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VILLAGE OF PATCHOGUE

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History, culture and fine dining.

Wallen's Market Calls Patchogue Home

BY STACY SANTINI

The revitalization of Patchogue would not be complete without a natural food store in place. Wallen's Natural Market is a welcome addition to this community. It was opened two years ago by Bob and Laura Wallen. These seasoned natural foodists have embarked on a journey that enriches their lifestyle, as well as surrounding neighborhoods.

Dan's spoke with Bob Wallen about the store, making healthy eating choices, the local arts scene and more.

What is the history of Wallen's?

There has been a certain misconception that Wallen's moved to Patchogue from Bellport. The Wallen's IGA in Bellport was started in 1949 by my grandfather and eventually run by my father after he retired from teaching. That Bellport store closed out of necessity, not for relocation; it was not a choice. My father kept it open a lot longer than other people would have. It was heartbreaking for my father to let it go. We had people working there for many years and the staff was a family. We are very sensitive to the inaccuracy of this information and many people believing we chose to move a Bellport landmark store. Just as the local residents might miss it, we do as well.

Wallen's Natural Market is a new business that my wife, Laura and I opened. It is a completely separate entity and there is zero affiliation except for the name.

Why did you become a natural food purveyor?

We opened our store on August 1, 2013. It is a small organic and natural health food store, but certainly looking to evolve and continue to meet our customers' needs. Laura and I live this lifestyle. It's what we know, and we are committed to being ourselves and sharing our experience with the community.

My wife is a natural food/raw chef and the whole concept of owning this store just made sense. If a customer asks us to get something, we try to get it. It's only two years and we are still studying our clients.

What are your most popular products?

We have a variety of organic produce, natural items and grass-fed meats, but without a doubt our customers definitely favor our prepared foods and smoothies. We have all sorts of vegan raw lunches to go. We have one customer who pays us weekly and Laura makes his lunches and dinners to go. He feels great and has gone down three belt sizes. Because the food is raw vegan, it is delicious but labor intensive. Although we open at 9 a.m., Laura is often here much earlier chopping, soaking nuts and dehydrating veggies.

What locally grown or produced items does the store carry?

We purchase our organic produce from a farm in Brookhaven and carry as much as we can until the season is over. We have cashews and hot sauces from Chef Giovanni in Holbrook, some really delicious cold brew coffee and vegan baked goods from a bakery in Amityville. We also carry soaps that are made locally and have a true dedication to supporting the local art community. Throughout the store you will find visual art, sculptures, beach glass, CDs and hanging mobiles for sale. We are very grateful for this opportunity to support the arts while at the same time promoting healthy eating.

What food trends do you see ahead in 2016?

We're not trend forecasters and this was not part of our planning, but I will say this—people are definitely becoming more aware of what they put into and on their bodies.... what they eat. I see many more environmentally conscious consumers.

What do you like most about having your store in Patchogue Village?

I love how very supportive the other businesses are of us. They have embraced us from the beginning. There is a true sense of community in Patchogue Village. We were both born locally, myself in Bellport and Laura in East Patchogue. There is a symbiotic relationship between these two towns and cross support for sure. Everything in Patchogue is wonderful for businesses from our landlord to the Chamber of Commerce to the artistic community. I am a musician, as well, and this sense of belonging and support is very important to me.

Wallen's Natural Market, 83 South Ocean Avenue, Patchogue, 631-438-0688, wallensnatural@gmail.com.

PATCHOGUE

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

NUTCRACKER AT PATCHOGUE THEATRE
12/4–12/6. Presented by the American Dance Theatre of Long Island. Patchogue Theatre for the Performing Arts, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue. *631-207-1313 patchoguetheatre.org. See related story on page 33.*

LIVE MUSIC AT THE EMPORIUM
6 p.m. The Emporium, 9 Railroad Avenue, Patchogue. *631-627-8787 theemporiumny.com*

BLUES AT BOBBIQUE
7 p.m. Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Live performances by local musicians. Bobbique, 70 West Main Street, Patchogue. *631-447-7744 bobbique.com*

OPEN MIC AT ROAST COFFEE & TEA TRADING CO.
7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays. All ages. Musicians, poets, singers, songwriters and music lovers are welcome. Roast Coffee & Tea Trading Co., 41 East Main Street, Patchogue. *631-672-3966 roast.coffee*

LIVE MUSIC AT 89 NORTH
8:15 p.m. Multiple acts perform. 89 North Music Venue, 89 North Ocean Avenue, Patchogue. *89northmusic.com*

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

INGRID BERGMAN RETROSPECTIVE AT PLAZA CINEMA
10:30 a.m. Also 12/12. Screening of *Murder on the Orient Express*, followed by discussion with film experts Dr. Peter Mascuch and Gregory Bruno. $15 general/$13 students/ $11 members. The Plaza Cinema & Media Arts Center, 20 Terry Street, Patchogue. *631-848-7288 plazamac.org*

BLUES AT BOBBIQUE
7 p.m. Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Live performances by local musicians. Bobbique, 70 West Main Street, Patchogue. *631-447-7744 bobbique.com*

POETRY NIGHT AT ROAST COFFEE & TEA TRADING CO.
7:30 p.m. First Saturday of the month. Open to anyone who would like to read their poetry. Roast Coffee & Tea Trading Co., 41 East Main Street, Patchogue. *631-672-3966 roast.coffee*

LIVE MUSIC AT 89 NORTH
7:30 p.m. Multiple acts perform. 89 North Ocean Avenue, Patchogue. *89northmusic.com*

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN'S "A CHRISTMAS CAROL" AT CM PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
7:30 p.m. Through 12/29. Production of the beloved musical classic. CM Performing Arts Center, 931 Montauk Highway, Oakdale. *631-218-2810 cmpac.com*

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE PARTY AT THE EMPORIUM
10 p.m. 21 and over. Dress code strictly enforced at the doorman's discretion. The Emporium, 9 Railroad Avenue, Patchogue. *631-627-8787 theemporiumny.com*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

KIWANIS SANTA TROT 5K AT SHOREFRONT PARK
11 a.m. Dress up as your favorite holiday character for the race. Shorefront Park, Patchogue Village. *santas5ktoytrot.com*

MENORAH LIGHTING AT CAPITAL ONE PLAZA
5 p.m. Celebrate Chanukah with Temple Beth El. Capital One Plaza, 116 East Main Street, Patchogue. *631-207-1000 patchogue.com*

SEE MANY MORE EVENTS AT DANSPAPERS.COM.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7

HOPE'S OPEN MIC AT BRICKHOUSE BREWERY
8 p.m. Mondays. Jordan Hope hosts. All are welcome to perform. BrickHouse Brewery, 67 West Main Street, Patchogue. *631-447-2337 brickhousebrewery.com*

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8

RUNNING CLUB AT HOPTRON BREWTIQUE
5:30 p.m. For ages 21 and over. 5K run followed by discounted pints/flights. No cost to join. Hoptron Brewtique, 22 West Main Street, Patchogue. *631-438-0296 hoptronbrewtique.com*

OPEN MIC AT ROAST COFFEE & TEA TRADING CO.
7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays. All ages. Musicians, poets, singers, songwriters and music lovers are welcome. Roast Coffee & Tea Trading Co., 41 East Main Street, Patchogue. *631-672-3966 roast.coffee*

COUNTRY KARAOKE AT BRICKHOUSE BREWERY
9 p.m. Tuesdays. Sing all your country favorites. BrickHouse Brewery, 67 West Main Street, Patchogue. *631-447-2337 brickhousebrewery.com*

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9

FLINGO: FLIGHT NIGHT BINGO AT HOPTRON
7 p.m. For ages 21 and over. Buy a flight of numbered beers. Four random numbers chosen every half-hour. Hoptron Brewtique, 22 West Main Street, Patchogue. *631-438-0296 hoptronbrewtique.com*

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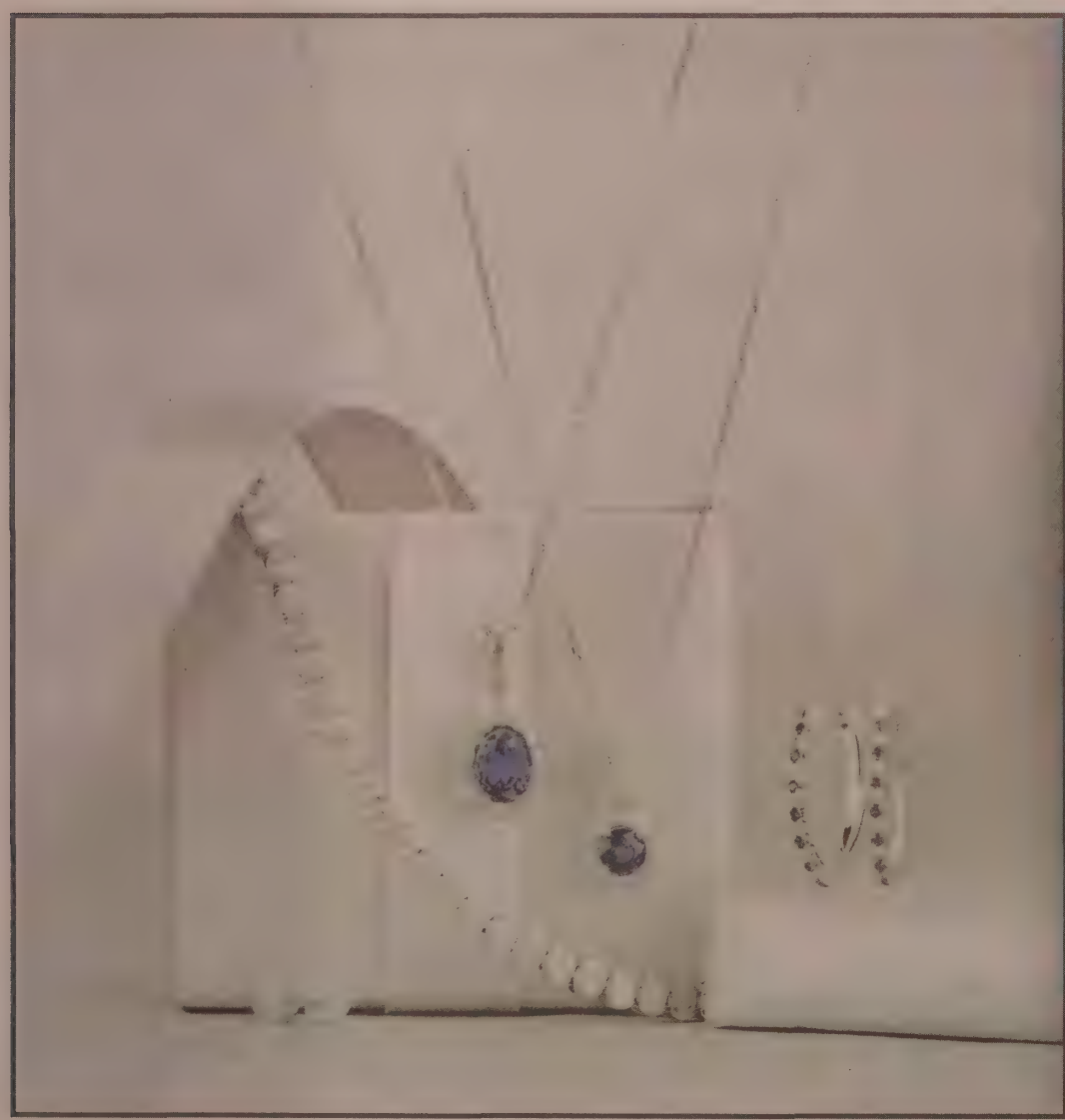

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ART EVENTS
Openings, closings see and be seen.

Nutcrackers Take the Stage Across the East End

BY KELLY LAFFEY

A timeless classic, *The Nutcracker* is one of the most beloved holiday traditions. With a score by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky, the ballet tells the tale of a young girl named Clara, whose innocent world changes before her eyes as she goes on an adventure with her toy nutcracker-turned-prince.

"Everyone is so familiar with the score and the story relates directly to the holiday season," says Sara Jo Strickland, Director of the Hampton Ballet Theatre School (HBTS) in Bridgehampton. "Many families have a tradition of seeing *The Nutcracker* every year to kick off their holiday celebrations. It is a magical tale and especially in the second act, which plays to the child's imagination." HBTS will give their seventh-annual Nutcracker performance at Guild Hall from December 11–13.

The Nutcracker is the story of young heroine Clara, who receives a nutcracker from her godfather Drosselmeyer on Christmas Eve. Adventures, battles and dances with sweets abound when the nutcracker turns into a prince. As the ballet ends, audience members are left to question whether Clara's experience was a dream or reality.

"*The Nutcracker* is a tradition for most ballet companies," continues Strickland. "It is so special because it is a ballet where the students grow up through the roles in the ballet."

Various companies often put their own spin on their performances, incorporating dancers of all ages. Though character names and select details may change with different productions, the basic plotline tells the same classic tale. If visions of sugarplums are dancing in your head, you're in luck! The East End plays host to a number of performances this season:

Courtesy HBTS

Dancers shine onstage this holiday season.

CLARA'S DREAM: THE NUTCRACKER
at the Patchogue Theatre

December 4–6. The American Dance Theatre of Long Island (ADTLI) presents the holiday classic at the Patchogue Theatre. 71 East Main Street, Patchogue. For more information, visit patchoguetheatre.org or call 631-207-1313 for additional information.

THE NUTCRACKER *at Guild Hall*

December 11–13. Become enchanted by Hampton Ballet Theatre School's production of The Nutcracker at the John Drew Theater at Guild Hall, 158 Main Street, East Hampton. For more information, visit guildhall.org, hamptonballettheatreschool.com or call 631-324-0806.

THE NUTCRACKER
at Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center

December 12–13 and December 15. The Peconic Ballet Theatre Residency. Young dancers take the stage. The December 15 show is a special one-hour school-day performance. Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center, 76 Main Street, Westhampton Beach. For more information, visit whbpac.org or call 631-288-1500.

SEISKAYA BALLET'S THE NUTCRACKER
at the Staller Center

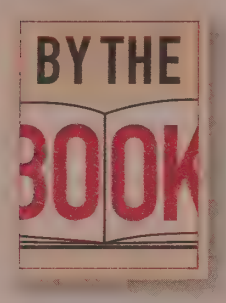
December 18-21. Hailed as the area's most lavish Nutcracker performance, the Seiskaya Ballet production of the classic holiday ballet returns to Stony Brook University's Staller Center. Choreographed by Valia Seiskaya. For more info, visit nutcrackerballet.com or call 631-632-2787.

MIXED NUTS *at Bay Street Theater*

December 19–20. Mash up of *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* and *The Nutcracker*. Bay Street Theater, 1 Bay Street, Sag Harbor. For more info, dancestudio3.com, baystreet.org or call 631-537-3008.

Two Books, Two Different Cities

BY JOAN BAUM



Like E.L. James' *Fifty Shades of Grey*, the difference between M.J. Rose's earlier novels and *The Witch of Painted Sorrows* (Atria) can be measured in degrees of heat. A writer of substance, Rose can fashion well-written, absorbing mystery thrillers that are full of the supernatural, occult questing and sensually rendered romance, but in her new historical fiction, she seems to have taken eroticism to a level close to soft-core porn. Sandrine Salome, née Verlaine, a wealthy young woman from New York, flees her passionless marriage after her beloved father kills himself, and rumors are that her husband may have caused it. She runs off to live with her Parisian grandmother, a famous and beautiful courtesan, queen of the demimonde, who rules a leading salon called La Lune, named for a Verlaine courtesan ancestor.

It's the Belle Époque 1890s, and France is in full artistic flower. Although Sandrine worked closely with her father in the art world, she never pursued her own desire to paint. Once in Paris, however, strange feelings emerge. Grand-mère has moved out of La Lune, which is being reconstructed under the direction of the handsome, charming architect, Julian Duplessi; she tells Sandrine never to go there and never to fall in love—the Verlaine women are cursed. With a swiftness that surprises her (and the reader), Sandrine falls under the spell of the old mansion, has ghostly visitations that take possession of her, falls wildly in love with the unavailable Duplessi (he's engaged!) and develops a surprising talent for painting that propels her to the all-male École des Beaux Arts. In short, timid Sandrine evolves into a fiery woman, adept in matters artistic and sexual. But how much of her new identity is owing to free choice and how much to her tragic 300-year-old red-haired ancestor, La Lune, whose sorrows increasingly determine Sandrine's erotic subject matter? Shorter and richer than *Fifty Shades of Grey*, *The Witch of Painted Sorrows* engages as a suspenseful tale, though arguably, it drags a bit and the ending may disappoint. Rose, who lived in Sag Harbor for 20 years, is a founding board member of International Thriller Writers and a knowledgeable admirer of 19th century art, especially impressionist and post-impressionist. Indeed, Sandrine's Beaux Arts mentor is Gustave Moreau, the teacher of Matisse and other art icons. Though it's anachronistic to say so, Sandrine proves to be a feisty feminist. An oddity to note: critics don't comment on the fact that Sandrine is Jewish, and that Kabala is much at the core of the narrative.

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Mary Higgins Clark remarks, "there are only three places that have a 'the' in front of their names: The Vatican, The Hague and The Bronx."

Arlene Alda writes that the idea for *Just Kids from the Bronx: Telling It the Way It Was, An Oral History* (Holt) came to her "as a lark" one evening when at a dinner party with her husband Alan Alda, she heard a man she had just met, Mickey Drexler, CEO of J. Crew, utter the words "The Bronx." She wondered about "other interesting and accomplished people from The Bronx," some famous, some not. As Mary Higgins Clark remarks, "there are only three places that have a 'the' in front of their names: The Vatican, The Hague and The Bronx." Alda's wide and deep learning has served her well. A member of Phi Beta Kappa from Hunter College, Alda is also a Fulbright recipient, professional clarinetist who played with the Houston Symphony under Leopold Stokowski and an award-winning photographer and author. Alda intelligently assembled her different and diverse voices for *Just Kids from the Bronx*. Many of her generation went to The Bronx High School of Science or The High School of Music and Art and lived in cramped quarters with parents, siblings and grandparents—a fact of urban life that seems not to have changed for many, even when the ethnic demography changed from Jewish, Italian and Irish to African American and Latino. The shift is reflected in the book's chronological structure and in the identification of different residential areas with their distinct class and culture—the South Bronx is not the West or the East Bronx and neither is Riverdale.

An entertaining collection that includes photos, it's clear that nostalgia rules more than geography, especially as interviewees recall the days before television drove neighbors indoors. Read the book, if not just because all proceeds will go to organizations that benefit children in The Bronx but also because of fair play. As one interviewee says, "I'm sick of hearing about Brooklyn."

Alda reads from *Just Kids from the Bronx* at the John Jermain Library's annual luncheon fundraiser at the American Hotel in Sag Harbor this Sunday, December 6.

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OPENINGS AND EVENTS

HAMPTONS TAKE 2 DOCUMENTARY FILM FESTIVAL
12/3–12/5. Documentary screenings throughout the weekend, with appearances by filmmakers and others. Bay Street Theater, 1 Bay Street, Sag Harbor. *631-725-9500 ht2ff.com.*

ARTWORK FOR THE HOLIDAYS AT RJD GALLERY
12/5–1/2. RJD Gallery, 90 Main Street, Sag Harbor. *631-725-1161 rjdgallery.com*

RECOLLECTIONS AND REALITIES: A FIGURATIVE FOCUS AT RJD GALLERY
12/5–1/2. Group show featuring artwork on the human figure. RJD Gallery, 90 Main Street, Sag Harbor. *631-725-1161 rjdgallery.com*

THREE ARTISTS AT THE WHITE ROOM GALLERY
Reception. 12/5, 5–7 p.m. Through 12/27. Featuring the works of Daniel Schoenheimer, Kimberly Goff and Sally Breen. The White Room Gallery, 2415 Main Street, Bridgehampton. *917-526-2767 thewhiteroom.gallery*

BRAIN FOOD AT PARRISH ART MUSEUM
12/10, noon. Alicia Longwell discusses the permanent collection. Parrish Art Museum, 279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill. *631-283-2118 parrishart.org*

SMALL TREASURES: FEATURED WORKS BY NINE ARTISTS AT QUOGUE LIBRARY
Reception 12/12, 3–4:30 p.m. Through 12/30. Paintings from nine local artists that are no bigger than 12x18 inches. Art Gallery at the Quogue Gallery, 90 Quogue Street, Quogue. *631-653-4224 quoguelibrary.org*

ONGOING

GUIDED TOURS OF SPECIAL EXHIBITIONS AT PARRISH ART MUSEUM
2 p.m. Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Tours last one hour. Permanent collection tours on Wednesdays and Sunday; Special exhibition tours on Saturdays. Space is limited. Parrish Art Museum, 279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill. *631-283-2118 parrishart.org*

MIRRORS IN THE GARDEN AT SARA NIGHTINGALE GALLERY
Through 12/14. Selection of recent paintings by Cara Enteles. Sara Nightingale Gallery, 668 Montauk Highway, Water Mill. *631-793-2256 saranightingale.com*

WHITES, AND THEM SOME... AT CHASE EDWARDS GALLERY
Through 12/28. Featuring works by Roy Nachum, Megan Sirrianni Brand, Eduardo Terranova, Jane Martin, Michael Sanzone, Bob Tabor and others. Chase Edwards Gallery, 2562 Main Street, Bridgehampton. *chaseedwardsgallery.com*

Gary Mamay
Work by Kimberly Goff at White Room Gallery

PINAJIAN: WORKS ON PAPER AT QUOGUE GALLERY
Through 12/31. Limited run of 14 rare works on paper by Arthur Pinajian. Quogue Gallery, 44 Quogue Street, Quogue. *quoguegallery.com*

IF THESE WALLS COULD TALK: MEET THE FAMILIES OF THE ROGERS MANSION
Through 12/31. An exhibit that spans the entire lifespan of Southampton's history, highlighting the families that lived in the Rogers Mansion over the years. Rogers Mansion, 17 Meeting House Lane, Southampton. *631-283-2494 southamptonhistoricalmuseum.org*

A SENSE OF PLACE: SELECTIONS FROM THE PERMANENT COLLECTION AT GUILD HALL
Through 1/3. Works from Guild Hall's collection. Spanning the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries. Guild Hall, 158 Main Street, East Hampton. *631-324-0806 guildhall.org*

CORNELIA FOSS AT GUILD HALL
Through 1/3. A survey of the artist's work from the 1990s through 2014. Guild Hall, 158 Main Street, East Hampton. *631-324-0806 guildhall.org*

DANCING WITH TRUFFAUT: STEPHANIE BRODY-LEDERMAN
Through 1/3. Oils and acrylics that pay homage to Francois Truffaut's work. Guild Hall, 158 Main Street, East Hampton. *631-324-0806 guildhall.org*

GEMS: GROUP SHOW AT GRENNING GALLERY
Through 1/3. Salon-style, "cash and carry" show, as well as new works by Christian White, Matthew Weigle and Yin Yon Chun. Grenning Gallery, 17 Washington Street, Sag Harbor. *grenninggallery.com*

ADAM HANDLER: HOT AND FAST AT VERED ART GALLERY
Through 1/8. Works by the painter. Vered Art Gallery, 68 Park Place, East Hampton. *631-324-3303 veredart.com*

FACING HISTORY: AN ARTISTIC EXPRESSION OF THE HISTORY OF PUBLIC PRESENCE AT SUFFOLK COUNTY HISTORICAL
Through 1/15. Paintings, drawings, sculpture, mixed media works by Long Island artists. Suffolk County Historical Society, 300 West Main Street, Riverhead. *631-727-2881 suffolkcountyhistoricalsociety.org*

SMALL ARTWORKS HOLIDAY INVITATIONAL AT ROMANY KRAMORIS GALLERY
Through 1/17. Featuring small artworks by local artists. Romany Kramoris Gallery, 41 Main Street, Sag Harbor. *631-725-2499 kramorisgallery.com*

SEEN AND UNSEEN AT PARRISH ART MUSEUM
Through 1/18. Featuring the works of Jane Freilicher and Jane Wilson. Parrish Art Museum, 279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill. *631-283-2118 parrishart.org*

EAST END FIELD DRAWINGS AT PARRISH ART MUSEUM
Through 1/18. Featuring the works of Alexis Rockman. Parrish Art Museum, 279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill. *631-283-2118 parrishart.org*

11TH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING COLLECTIVE AT TRIPOLI GALLERY/SOUTHAMPTON ARTS CENTER
Through 1/31. Group show spread out over three locations. Tripoli Gallery Southampton, 30 Jobs Lane, Southampton; Tripoli Gallery East Hampton, 87 Newtown Lane, East Hampton; Southampton Arts Center, 25 Jobs Lane, Southampton. *tripoligallery.com*

PORTRAYING ARTISTS: PHOTOGRAPHS BY WALTER WEISSMAN
Through 2/21. Black and white photos of some of the most influential performing, literary and fine artists and designers of our time. Guild Hall, 158 Main Street, East Hampton. *631-324-0806 guildhall.org*

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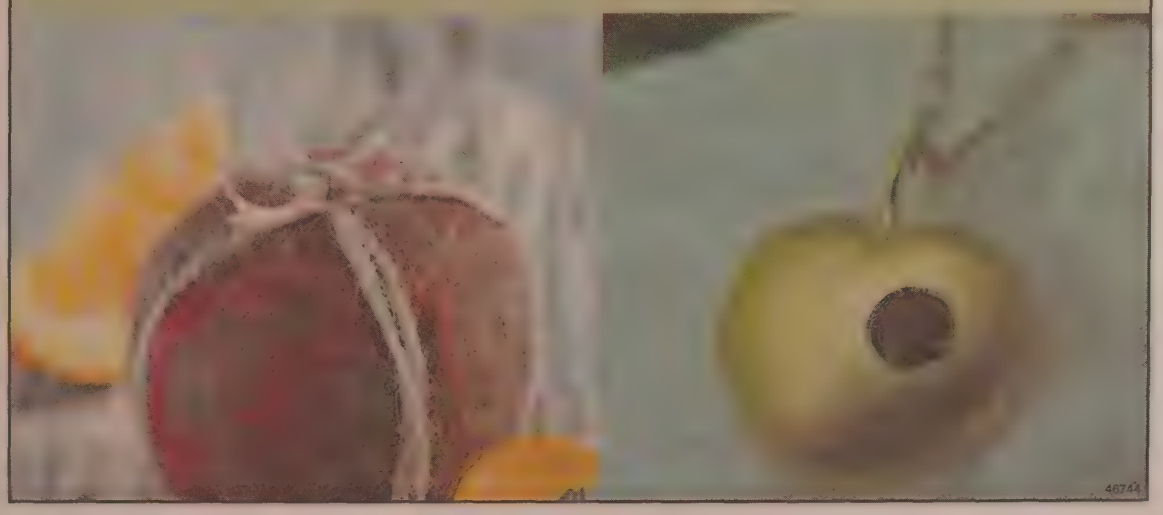

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Holiday Planning 101: Shopping!

BY SHARON FEIEREISEN

The Hamptons are diving straight into peak holiday party season. Whether you're hosting or attending an event, having sweet treats to delight friends and family is a must. The newly re-packaged **Milk Bar Cookie Mixes** are the ultimate semi-homemade treat (shopmilkbar.com; $16). The standout is, of course, the cult brand's signature **Compost Cookies**—chocolate chip cookies oozing with butterscotch, oats and coffee, as well as potato chips and pretzels for a salty and sweet balance. The mix comes ready-to-bake. Just add butter, egg, potato chips, and your favorite pretzels to their dry mix.

Kitchen essentials this time of year include the **Silpat U.S. Half-Size Mat** (Amazon, $24.99), which quickly turns your pan into a non-stick surface and save time cleaning up. You can use Silpat for any baking recipe that calls for parchment paper.

On the beauty front, **Dove Men** has launched a slew of new products, including a line of dry spray antiperspirants that offer 48-hour odor protection (though we'd still recommend re-applying daily...), fortified hair products, and more (dovemencare.us). Another product any male—and female!—will love is the latest innovation from **Sonicare**, the Philips Sonicare DiamondClean Black Edition. Basically, you get the same cleaning and cavity-fighting benefits as their classic brush, but a much sleeker black design. They've also launched the Philips Sonicare AirFloss Pro, which is a must given all the dietary missteps most of us make at this time of year. The device offers a high-tech approach to flossing and it's the perfect alternative for people who don't like flossing or, equally as bad, don't do it effectively (usa.philips.com).

Stacy Dermont

Ready, set, get shopping!

Of course, it's all about family during the holidays, which is why we also wanted to put **Trudi's** new Hen, Penguin, Owl and Koala mother and child puppets on your radar. Imported from Italy by Magicforest, the twin plush sets are priced at $25. Perfect for newborns, first birthday or big sibling giving, these hand puppets offer interactivity without a cord or battery. The adorable puppet sets include a baby finger puppet able to fit inside Mama's pouch. Beyond the fun, puppets are incredibly useful for emerging language skills, social skills, and creativity (magicforest.com).

There are also a number of events to keep the kids busy this holiday season! On December 4 from 6 to 7:30 p.m., head to **The Children's Museum of the East End** (376 Bridgehampton Sag Harbor Turnpike), where the welcoming aroma of gingerbread will be wafting through the lobby during the regular Pizza and Pajama Night. Kids attending the monthly event will celebrate the seasonal spiced confection with an interactive read-aloud of Lucy Cousins' *Maisy Makes Gingerbread*, followed by a workshop where they'll measure, mix, and roll their own dough before creating holiday shapes to take home and bake. This month's attendees will also be able to join in on the countdown to the lighting of the windmill in the exhibit space. Free for members, $10 for non-members.

Sure to be a kid pleaser is the Make Your Own Snow Globe event on December 5 from 10–11 a.m. at the **Quogue Wildlife Refuge** (3 Old Country Road, Quogue). The program is designed for kids ages 8 and older, as well as for adults interested in a fun new project. Reservations required and payment needed to hold your space. $15 per person, includes all supplies.

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Saving Oakland Cemetery from Its Namesake

BY VALERIE SANN FILIPPO

Oakland Cemetery, founded in 1840, is a cornerstone of Sag Harbor's 300-year history, yet it has fallen into disrepair. Many of its oak trees are dead or dying, the namesakes threatening to crush the grave markers below. If something wasn't done, the damage would soon be irreparable.

"The people of Sag Harbor are all represented in Oakland, past present and future," says Sag Harbor resident and landscape architect Edmund Hollander. "I was walking through one day with some other people from the village, and I saw how it wasn't being cared for… I reached out to tree companies, professional advisors, the mayor, and the response has been enormous."

Thanks to Hollander's outreach, and the full support of Mayor Sandra Schroeder, dozens of local businesses and organizations, including 17 landscape and tree-removal companies, will work together to remove dead and dangerous trees and branches in what they are calling the "Oaks for Oakland" project.

"We've done a lot of work in the cemetery to see which trees are salvageable, which can be saved and which are to be removed," Hollander says. "There are probably about 200–250 trees in the cemetery, and this is really the first step in a multiyear program to preserve what we have. One of the reasons it's so time consuming and expensive is…. You can't just cut a branch; you've got to tie them off, secure them." The gravestones of Oakland Cemetery both complicate and inspire the work Hollander hopes to achieve.

Some of the stones offer a glimpse into the village's rich and diverse past. In the 19th century, Sag Harbor rivaled New York Harbor in its number of whaling vessels. There are more 18th and 19th century sea captains buried in this Sag Harbor cemetery than in any other location on Long Island. It is the final resting place of celebrated authors and dancers. It contains the ancestors of many old Sag Harbor families, including a member of one of the oldest Sag Harbor families, Queen Olive L. Pharaoh, of the Montaukett Indian tribe. The cemetery is nondenominational, and provides a complete picture of life in Sag Harbor 200 years ago.

Stacy Dermont

A Sag Harbor landmark

Hollander says that once the importance of restoring the cemetery was realized, the community's answer was massive. "Each landscaping and tree company is donating probably $5,000 worth of work. The response was both immediate and positive. Some companies I didn't reach out to called me up and asked to be involved. Even the local pizza places, everyone with the ability to help has stepped up to the plate to do it… I think there is a great wealth of community spirit, among companies here to not only do good work for clients but also do good work for the community; I was really overwhelmed by the response to this….The community spirit and the desire to be involved are tremendous."

The businesses will rally on December 7 and 8 for the major tree-removal job. The many professional volunteers will carefully remove the dangerous trees and branches from the site, while providing the proper protection to the grave markers. "It's basically the arboreal equivalent of D-day," Hollander says. On December 8, the wood will be hauled away and offered to any resident who wants it. Some of it is also being chipped for mulch. In the spring of 2017, new oaks will be planted on the grounds. The care paid to the Oakland landscape in the upcoming months will help preserve the site for years to come.

"There's so much emphasis on maintaining the architecture of the village, but there hasn't been as much emphasis on the landscape…. Oakland is this jewel at the center of Sag Harbor. I think we have to value the public spaces within the village here. The Architectural Review Board takes care of the village buildings, but the landscapes are so important to the character of the area….We want to make sure that Oakland is as great for the future as it has been for the past generations."

Contributions to the Oaks for Oakland effort are welcome. Send to Sag Harbor Tree Fund, P.O. Box 3133, Sag Harbor, NY 11963.

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4 p.m. Through 12/5. Documentary screenings, with appearances by filmmakers and others. Bay Street Theater, 1 Bay Street, Sag Harbor. *631-725-9500 ht2ff.com.*

THE JAM SESSION AT BAY BURGER
7–9 p.m. Afro Cuban jazz with Oscar Feldman on sax and Alex Sipiagin on trumpet. Bay Burger, 1742 Sag Harbor Turnpike, Sag Harbor. *thejamsession.org*

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

SOUTHAMPTON LIGHTING OF THE WINDMILL
5–7 p.m. Refreshments, holiday treats, music and crafts for children. Free, open to the public. Stony Brook Southampton, 39 Tuckahoe Road, Southampton. *631-632-5030 stonybrook.edu/southampton*

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6 p.m. Hilariously embarrassing and heart-wrenching readings from actual diaries of five speakers. $10/free for members. Parrish Art Museum, 279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill. *631-283-2118 parrishart.org. Will sell out.*

TREE LIGHTING AT TOPPING ROSE HOUSE
6 p.m. Hot chocolate, cookies, carolers. Topping Rose House, 1 Bridge-Sag Turnpike, Bridgehampton. *631-207-1000 toppingrosehouse.com*

CMEE TRIVIA NIGHT AT TOWNLINE BBQ
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CAROLS FROM AROUND THE WORLD AT WHBPAC
8 p.m. Presented by the Long Island Symphonic Choral Association. $25 and up. Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center, 76 Main Street, Westhampton Beach. *631-288-1500 whbpac.org*

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

HOMEGROWN FOR THE HOLIDAYS
10 a.m.–4 p.m. Local artists, food purveyors and vendors showcase their wares. Hayground School, 151 Mitchell Lane, Bridgehampton. *haygroundschool.org*

THE 5TH ANNUAL FRIENDS BAZAAR
10 a.m.–6 p.m. Handmade jewelry, ceramics, wood and steel sculpture, furniture, photography and more, priced for every budget. Ashawagh Hall, corner Springs Fireplace Road and Old Stone Highway, Springs. *631-604-1462*

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6 p.m. Ride the holiday trolley around the village. Christmas tree and menorah lightings, free activities and fun for everyone. Main Street, Westhampton Beach. *631-288-3337 whbcc.org*

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HOT TUNA ACOUSTIC AT WHBPAC
12/5, 8 p.m. The Rock & Roll Hall of Famers perform. $70 and up. Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center, 76 Main Street, Westhampton Beach. *631-288-1500 whbpac.org*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

MENORAH LIGHTING AT TEMPLE ADAS ISRAEL
3 p.m. Party, holiday bazaar, music, food activities and more. Temple Adas Israel, 30 Atlantic Avenue, Sag Harbor. *631-725-0904 templeadasisrael.org*

PUBLIC MENORAH LIGHTING IN MONTAUK
3:30 p.m. Celebrate Chanukah on the East End. Kirk Park, 95 South Emerson Avenue, Montauk. *631-329-5800 chabadofthehamptons.com*

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

RHYME TIME AT THE HAMPTON LIBRARY
10 a.m. Songs, rhymes, stories and art exploration. Hampton Library, 2478 Main Street, Bridgehampton. *631-537-0015 hamptonlibrary.org*

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11 a.m. For ages 2–5. Story and simple craft. Quogue Library, 90 Quogue Library, Quogue. *631-653-4224 quoguelibrary.org*

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ACT TWO – TEEN DRAMA GROUP AT HAMPTON BAYS COMMUNITY CENTER
6 p.m. Learn acting, writing, improv and more. Free to join, registration ongoing. Hampton Bays Community Center, 25 Ponquogue Lane, Hampton Bays. *631-702-2425 southamptontownny.gov*

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

CMEE PIZZA & PAJAMA NIGHT
6 p.m. An interactive read-aloud of *Maisy Makes Gingerbread*, followed by a dough workshop. $10 general/free for members. Registration required. Children's Museum of the East End, 376 Bridgehampton Sag Harbor Turnpike, Bridgehampton. *631-537-8250 cmee.org*

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

ANNUAL GINGERBREAD DECORATING WORKSHOP
10 a.m. Kids will decorate their own pre-built gingerbread houses. $30 per house/$20 for members, includes museum admission. Children's Museum of the East End, 376 Bridgehampton Sag Harbor Turnpike, Bridgehampton. *631-537-8250 cmee.org*

EAST HAMPTON VILLAGE SANTA PARADE
10 a.m. Hosted by the East Hampton Chamber of Commerce. Parade begins on Main Street and turns onto Newtown Lane. *631-324-0362 easthamptonchamber.com*

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HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE AT QUOGUE WILDLIFE REFUGE
1–3 p.m. Make an ornament, enjoy refreshments, crafts and more. Quogue Wildlife Refuge, 3 Old Country Road, Quogue. *631-653-4771*

SANTA AT GURNEY'S
2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through 12/12. Bring your phone or camera to take pictures with Santa and enjoy holiday music from 4–6 p.m. Gurney's Montauk Resort & Seawater Spa, 290 Old Montauk Highway, Montauk. *631-668-1747 gurneysmontauk.com*

SANTA VISIT & HOLIDAY LIGHTING ON LONG WHARF
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Have a hankering for French cuisine? **Pierre's** in Bridgehampton is a great option for Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Eve. A mélange of menu items will be available all day. 2468 Main Street, Bridgehampton. 631-537-5110 pierresbridgehampton.com

The **Inn Spot on the Bay** will be open on Christmas Eve beginning at 5 p.m., serving a $55 three-course "Feast of the Seven Fishes" prix fixe. On Christmas, the restaurant will be open from 2–7 p.m. with another three-course prix fixe for $55 with entrées such as Christmas goose, Long Island duck, beef and fish du jour. Reservations are required on New Year's Eve, when the Inn Spot will be open for a la carte dining with a number of specials, including foie gras. 32 Lighthouse Road, Hampton Bays. 631-728-1200. theinnspot.com

Historic Sag Harbor village spot **The American Hotel** is open seven days a week for breakfast lunch and dinner, including holidays. Friendly service, delicious food and great ambience help make The American Hotel a great choice for a Christmas or New Year's Eve meal. (And the wine list is nearly endless!) 49 Main Street, Sag Harbor. 631-725-3535 theamericanhotel.com

Scarpetta Beach at Gurney's Montauk Resort & Seawater Spa will be open for dinner on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Eve with special "Soulful Italian" menu offerings. 290 Old Montauk Highway, Montauk. 631-668-1771 gurneysmontauk.com

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Nick & Toni's will serve dinner on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, though the restaurant will be closed on Christmas Day. 136 North Main Street, East Hampton. 631-324-3550 nickandtonis.com

Michael's Maidstone Bar and Restaurant will open at noon on Christmas Eve, offering both a traditional Italian dinner and an a la carte menu. On Christmas, Michael's will open at 5 p.m. Then on New Year's Eve the regular menu will be served from 5 p.m. to midnight. 29 Maidstone Park Road, East Hampton. 631-324-3002 michaelsofmaidstone.com

East by Northeast will be open for dinner on New Year's Eve. 51 Edgemere Street, Montauk. 631-668-2872 eastbynortheast.com

Red Bar Brasserie will be open on New Year's Eve for a prix fixe dinner. There will be an early sitting and a late sitting. Call ahead to make reservations. 210 Hampton Road, Southampton, 631-283-0704 redbarbrasserie.com

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Going Crackers for the Holidays

BY STACY DERMONT

If Martha Stewart and Rachel Ray had a baby, it would be me. I'm all about doing things from scratch AND "cheating" to save time when cooking. These crackers are one of the recipes that I'll be sharing at my presentation about surviving the holidays at the Rogers Memorial Library in Southampton next week.

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So many delish choices...

You can make them out of almost any flour (whole wheat, rye, graham) with just about any dried herbs or savory spice (oregano, basil, black pepper, sesame seeds). They come out just fine every time and they go really well with my cheese balls, which don't even require a recipe.

For two small cheese balls: Combine an 8 oz. package of softened cream cheese and 1/3 cup of Parmesan. Form into balls (or a log) and roll in black pepper or nuts—presto—cheese ball.

Your guests won't believe it's not goat cheese and they'll be bowled over by your homemade crackers—whether you make them no-salt, low salt or extra salty. They're also great with hummus...

QUICK CRACKERS
Yields about 2 dozen small crackers.

2 cups of flour(s)
1/3 cup oil*
1/4 cup water
1 tablespoon caraway or flax seed
2 teaspoons dried herbs
(optional 1 ½ teaspoons salt)

Additional flour for rolling out

Preheat oven to 375°.

Place all ingredients in a stand-up mixer or food processor with a mixing blade and mix, or pulse, until well combined.

Mixture should hold together when made into a ball. If it doesn't, add water 1 teaspoon at a time until it holds.

Sprinkle flour over nonstick surface and rub some on rolling pin. Roll out to about 1/8" thickness. Cut as you wish. Squares and rectangles work well.

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Don't worry about overworking the dough. If your homemade, healthy crackers come out rather dense, it will just seem like you planned it that way.

Place on parchment-covered cookie sheet and bake in oven for about 13 minutes (check at 10 minutes).

Allow to rest for at least 1 minute before removing from cookie sheet.

Serve warm or cooled.

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*I could have listed "fat" here but that turns some people off. I often used melted butter and, when I have it on hand, include a bit of melted bacon fat.

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A Harvest of Heirloom Produce

BY STACY DERMONT

Bloomsbury published Long Island native and internationally recognized heirloom vegetable grower Amy Goldman's latest book, *Heirloom Harvest, Modern Daguerreotypes of Historic Garden Treasures* in October. Featuring breathtaking photographs by Jerry Spagnoli, this tome is sure to be treasured by gardeners as much as Goldman's previous books about heirloom tomatoes, squash and melons.

At her book signing at Marders in Bridgehampton last month, Goldman said that her tomato and melon books are in the process of being expanded and re-released. She also revealed that she is currently working on an all-new book about heirloom peppers.

The latest book is a departure from Goldman's earlier works, which typically have featured practical advice and facts and figures alongside gorgeous photos. *Heirloom Harvest* is comprised of a moving essay by Goldman about her love affair with growing heirloom varieties and the evolution of her Hudson Valley farm complex, complimented by page after beautiful page of exquisitely moody Daguerreotypes of heirloom plants and rare livestock taken from a variety of angles and in various settings.

As Goldman writes, "What was once a field of golden-colored little bluestem is now a more fruited plain filled with gardens and orchards, intricacies and delights. And I am a different person. The land has changed me as much as I've changed the land." The book concludes with a fascinating Q & A with the photographer.

This book is, bar none, THE gift of the year for the gardener, farmer, foodie or photo enthusiast on your holiday shopping list. Much like the family *Bible* and the *Farmers' Almanac*—no good home should be without a copy of *Heirloom Harvest*.

Goldman says it best in her essay, "*Heirloom Harvest* is an act of preservation and a way of honoring beauty, diversity and history in the face of pressures not to garden, not to save seeds...What better way to pay homage to heirloom plants than to marry them to the most heirloom of heirloom photography?"

Richard Lewin

Author Amy Goldman at Marders in Bridgehampton last month

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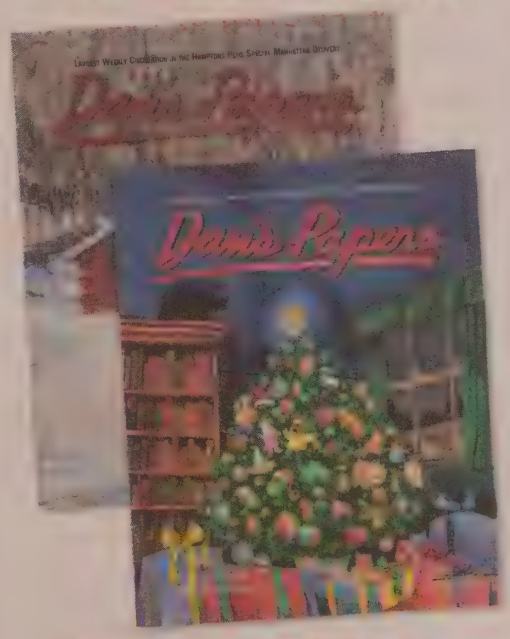

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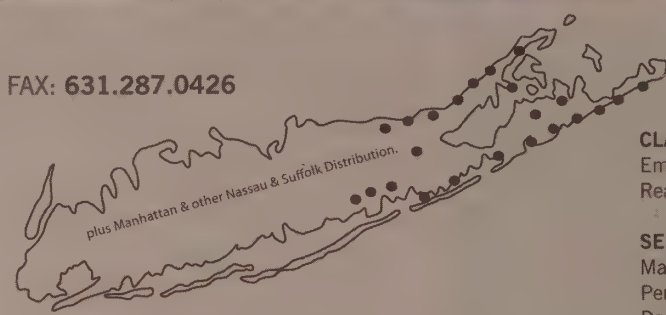

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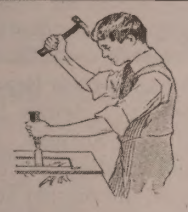

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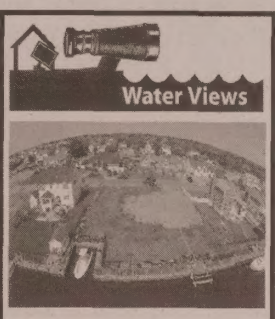

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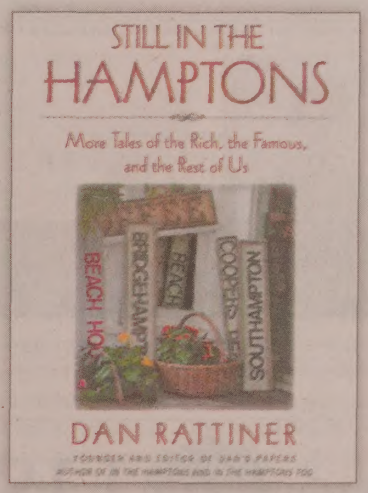

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Sagaponack Forbes' No. 2 Most Expensive ZIP

BY OLIVER PETERSON

Surprising to few, Hamptons villages and hamlets once again rank high among *Forbes*' list of America's 500 Most Expensive ZIP Codes for 2015. The top contender, Sagaponack, landed in the number two slot for the second consecutive year, but that village isn't the only South Fork locale to break the top 20.

With a median home price of $7,416,538 and homes selling in 111 days on average, Sagaponack's 11962 ZIP code beat Manhattan's 10012 ZIP code—which went from 10th in 2014 to third this year—by a little over $100,000. In 2014, Sagaponack earned second place with a lower median price of $6,433,077, and that year houses were on the market an average of 327 days. The inventory of available homes dropped from 48 in 2014 to just 37 in 2015. For further perspective on the village's growth, Sagaponack was only America's fifth most expensive ZIP code in 2013 with a median home price of $4.8 million.

Atherton, California (94027) held its place in the top spot for the third consecutive year with a whopping median home price of $10,564,038.

Water Mill's 11976 is the next Hamptons ZIP code on the list at number 18. The hamlet has a median home price of $4,221,615 and homes are selling in 148 days on average. And *Forbes* reports an inventory of 93 available properties. Interestingly, Water Mill was two spots higher, at number 16, in 2014 with a lower median home price of $4,004,808. Homes took more than double the time to sell, 318 days on average, in 2014 and a robust 205 homes were available that year. In 2013, 11976 was 19th, down three from 2012, when it was 16th and had a median home price of $3,317,227.

The hamlet of Wainscott (11975) landed at 21 on the list with a median home price of $4,148,077. Homes averaged 141 days on the market and 24 homes were available for sale. Wainscott didn't even break the top 40 last year (at 43) with its median home price of $2,951,346.

Traditionally a heavy hitter on the *Forbes* list, Bridgehampton (11932) plummeted from number 13 and a median home price of $4,286,538 in 2014, to 26 and a median home price of $3,992,269 in 2015. Homes sold quickly, in just 102 days on average, and 85 were available for sale.

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Sagaponack, as seen from above

Outside the top 50, the hamlet of Amagansett (11930) popped up at number 63 with a median home price of $2,693,654, homes averaging 106 days on the market and an available inventory of 95. It placed 60th in 2014 with a median price of $2,645,192, an average 362 days to sell and 184 available homes.

Quogue's 11959 ZIP code, which was 46th in 2013 and then dropped to 93 in 2014 (median price $2,080,690), is back on the rise at 70 with a median home price of $2,546,183. Homes were on the market for 246 days on average and 97 properties were available for sale.

No other East End ZIP codes cracked the top 100, though Southampton's 11968 came in at 112 with a median price of $2,064,030, an average of 134 days on the market and an inventory of 444 available properties. Sag Harbor's 11963 was 136 (median $1,882,471) and Westhampton Beach's 11978 was 172 (median $1,640,961), while East Hampton's 11937, which includes Springs, was 206 with an outside-the-top-200 median price of $1,533,773, an average 124 days on the market and a large inventory of 470 available properties.

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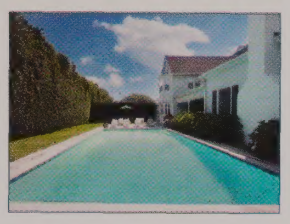

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